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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Re: Application of Tomohiro WAKABAYASHI, Hiroki KAWAI, Saori BABA  
and Kazuharu TSUCHIYA  
FERRULE AND OPTICAL COUPLING STRUCTURE USING THE SAME  
**Assignee: YAZAKI CORPORATION**  
Our Ref. Q78419

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising fifteen (15) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract and six (6) sheets of drawings. **The requisite U.S. Government filing fee and copies of an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.**

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>10</u> - 20	=	<u>          </u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>          </u>	\$0.00
Independent claims	<u>2</u> - 3	=	<u>          </u>	x	\$86.00	=	<u>          </u>	\$0.00
Base Fee								\$770.00
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>								<b>\$770.00</b>

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
<b>Japan</b>	<b>2002-327177</b>	<b>November 11, 2002</b>
<b>Japan</b>	<b>2003-298236</b>	<b>August 22, 2003</b>



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The priority documents will be filed at a later date.

Since the anniversary of the priority date fell on a holiday, the filing of this application on **Wednesday, November 12, 2003** is sufficient to obtain the benefit of priority.

Respectfully submitted,  
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